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SUBJECT: TURKEY'S ATTENDANCE AT PSI HIGH-LEVEL POLITICAL
MEETING

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¶1. (SBU) We approached the MFA team attending the Anatolian Sun PSI exercise in Antalya on May 26 about the GOT's planned attendance at the June 23 High Level Political Meeting. MFA officials said their initial thinking was that International Security Affairs Director General (A/S equivalent) Tomur Bayer would represent Turkey in Poland.

¶2. (SBU) Comment: Turkey was represented by a Director General at the high level meeting in 2004. The Turkish delegation of one at that meeting felt the gathering served only a symbolic function as most speakers simply extolled the value of PSI. We are prepared to engage again, after GOT officials return from Anatolian Sun, to urge a higher level representative attend from Ankara. That effort would be easier if we could point to some difference between this meeting and that in 2004. Any information Washington or Warsaw could provide on that score would be appreciated. End comment.

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